

Poetry.

For the North Carolina Standard.

AN "EARNEST CRY AND PRAYER" TO THE LEADERS OF THE WHIGGERY.

An humble Democrat presumes,
Oh men of clay and grinning coons,
Born, as ye are, with silver spoons
Between your crackers,
And gifted with the knack of tunes,
To beard your backers,

Bluff Hal, and all who join with Hal,
In singing *Fol fol de ral*,
Oh Whiggery is the charming gal,
To win the hearties
(With the right fol fol de ral.)
Of honest parties!

Oh Hal, you are a lucky dog!
For Webster 's in the Tyler bog,
And Scott, like any other log,
Is trampled over

By British Whigs and Feds incog,
While you eat clover.

But pray, good Hal, do deign to tell
To cabin-men, who love you well,
What Hal will do when he shall swell
As President?

Will Hal at conscience-tricks excel
The Accident?

Besides, you know, your party said,
You doubling, twisting, blue-light Fed!
That poor men must be daily fed—
(A great relief)

If they would show your cause ahead—
On nice roast beef?

And where 's the beef? The wages, Whigs,
You promised us amid your jigs?
Oh Lor! should poor men live on figs
And such calories?

When plums abound? Why, look, the pigs
They love not rarities.

And dare a poor man ask for beef?
Oddsounds! we intend to give relief
To better men; and now in brief
Just h-d your chatter,

Or Hal, great Hal, our chosen chief,
Will make you scatter.

But where, good masters, tell us where
Those better times? Dissolved in air?
By all the Heathen Gods we swear
We want be baffled,

Nor rode, like asses, here and there,
Like asses snuffed!

The Tariff—was that kindly passed
To make us richer? Who was asked
For leave when that great load was cast
Full on our shoulders?

Improve your hour, for 'tis your last
Ye money-holders!

Huzza for Coons! 'T was Martin's spoons
That gave us all these precious boons;
They raised the Whiggery's loudest cry,
Oh wild extravagance! Oh mi!

A silver spoon! Our freedom 's gone!
By silver spoons 's overtaken.

Farewell great Hal, and Whiggery too,
One thing we want—what e'er you do—
(When you shall come to rule anew—
To allay our grief)

That "twenty shillings" good and true,
And nice "roast beef."

1st December, 1842. TRUTH.

*The Register, some weeks since, said that the Coon was not dead; and to prove it, represented him in the Register, as grinning.

†Some of the Northern Whigs, it will be remembered, during the campaign of 1840, promised the working-men, that if they would vote for "Tippecanoe and Tyler too," they should have "two dollars a day and roast beef."

‡This word, we believe, has no place in the works of modern lexicographers. It owes its origin to a steward at Chapel Hill; who, being interrogated, on a certain occasion, as to the fare he supplied the students with, replied, "that they regularly had mutton, hot soup, and other calories." It is presumed, that the learned steward meant, by "calories," "preserves" and "roast beef."

COMMUNICATIONS.

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THE NEXT PRESIDENCY.

I perceive that several newspapers in this State are breaking ground in favor of Mr. CALHOUN. Some of our active politicians, even members of Congress, I also understand, are already out for him. There seems to be a secret attempt now going on, to forestall public opinion on the subject. It is even said that some are disposed to make this a test in the election of officers by the General Assembly. This would be excellent sport for the Whigs; but full of danger and difficulty to the republican cause. Let us learn wisdom from experience. The regular succession of republican Presidents, since the time of Jefferson, has been twice interrupted by the impatient ambition of an aspiring candidate, or the restless violence of his friends. And if our own experience is forgotten or unheeded, let us profit by the experience of our enemies. Who does not know that the restless ambition of Mr. CLAY, has had more agency in prostrating that mushroom power which the charm of log-cabin fooleries erected, than all other causes combined? No man of reflection, who has been a calm observer of his conduct in the Senate, or the manoeuvres of his confidential friends in Congress, can have any doubt of this fact. Their most abominable attempt to sacrifice their own President, for no other ostensible reason than his honesty of purpose, was one of those acts of wickedness, which often defeats its own ends, and which, when attended by such powerful and vindictive means of accomplishing its object, seems to call forth the interposition of Divine Providence against the guilty offender. But for Mr. CLAY's hasty ambition to secure the Presidency, his prospects now would have been as bright as they ever have been. Let us not be guilty of the like folly. While rejoicing in our late successes, let us be prudent—let us neither tempt Providence, nor undervalue the power of Fortune.

Mr. CALHOUN, for some time past, has stood in a fine position; he was rapidly advancing in the estimation of republicans; why cannot his friends be easy, and give him a chance for the prize? Or rather, why will they suffer any political aspirant to ride him, and break him down, before he is fairly in the field?

If these things are done with the approbation of Mr. CALHOUN—or if he be even suspected of it—we know that it will be resented; or if it be done by his real friends, and persevered in, great will be the mischief which it will produce; and it must at last result either in defeating his hopes, or in prostrating the republican cause, once more, at the feet of whiggery.

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At a called meeting of Line Lodge, No. 87, held November 15th, A. D. 1842, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to take from the bosom of his family, from the society of his friends, and from the fellowship of our Fraternity, our worthy, highly esteemed, and beloved Brother, JOHN L. LUTHER, late of Duplin, who, through a long life of usefulness, sustained, unblemished, the enviable character of a zealous and exemplary Mason, a pure and upright citizen, and an honest man: Therefore, be it

Resolved, That, as a respectful memento of the esteem in which we hold the memory of our deceased and venerable Brother, we, the members of Line Lodge, will wear the usual badge of mourning, for thirty days.

Resolved, That we feel the warmest sympathy with his family and friends, on the melancholy event of his death.

Resolved, That, in token of our sincere condolence with them, at their irreparable loss, a copy of these proceedings be transmitted to the family of our departed Brother.

Resolved, That Brothers Wright C. Gregory and James T. Mathis be appointed a committee, to carry into effect the preceding resolution.

Resolved, That the Editor of The North Carolina Standard be respectfully requested to publish these proceedings in his paper; and that Brother Joseph T. Rhodes transcribe and forward the same, for that purpose.

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